

DAMAGE CONTROL FLEET AEL's
USER'S GUIDANCE
2004 REVISION

BACKGROUND

This document provides guidance pertaining to fleet readiness with information on shipboard damage control organization and the equipment required to carry out damage control and firefighting emergency actions and recovery functions.

The DC AEL's User's Guidance Document will aid damage control personnel in the maintenance of damage control/firefighting equipment inventories.

The four main products of the Damage Control AELs are:

1. Hard copy 2004 AELs.
2. DC Equipment Inventory Aid Booklet dated; 2002
3. Damage Control Operating Space Items Management System (DCOSIMS).
4. Weapons System File Electronic update through Shipboard Non-Tactical ADP (SNAP)

The parent DC AELs are assigned according to the number of Damage Control Repair Stations (DCRS) on the ship class. Kit AELs are organized by the equipment's function.

In 1990 the DC AELs were reorganized in a major revision to create a common inspection standard, commonality of equipment among all ship classes, and increased familiarity of equipment for personnel conducting the DCRS inventories.

The primary objective for the 2004 revision was to improve the organization for required equipment and delete outdated equipment from the Damage Control Repair Station Inventories. This revision provides space for the equipment future additions and equipment upgrades to meet the demands of optimum manning.

DAMAGE CONTROL EQUIPMENT is organized and stowed ready for immediate access, in luminescent marked kit bags/lockers by function, decreasing response time to casualties.

NAVSEA 05P4 will continue to use the DC/FF Working Group to maintain quality control and standardization of the Fleet AELs. These AELs will be reviewed, updated and then distributed via the TYCOMs.

Questions and comments should be forwarded via the TYCOM to NAVSEA 05P4 so that these issues may be presented at the DC/FF Working Group for resolution.